A method of generating keys for object(s) in a Web Services arrangement, comprising:

determining if an object has a defined first key;

if the object has a defined first key, providing that defined first key for the object; and

if the object does not have a defined first key, providing a second key for the object.

- 2. The method as recited in claim 1, wherein a UUID (Universally Unique Identified) algorithm is used to provide the second key for the object.
- The method as recited in claim 1, wherein each key is unique.
- The method as recited in claim 1, wherein the second key provided is monotonically increasing.
- The method as recited in claim 1, wherein each object has at least one of a defined key and a second key.
- A computer recording medium including computer executable code for generating keys for object(s) in a Web Services arrangement, comprising:

code for determining if an object has a defined first key;

code for, if the object has a defined first key, providing that defined first key for the object; and

code for, if the object does not have a defined first key, providing a second key for the object.

 The computer recording medium as recited in claim 6, wherein a UUID (Universally Unique Identified) algorithm is used to provide the second key for the object.

- 8. The computer recording medium as recited in claim 6, wherein each key is unique.
- 9. The computer recording medium as recited in claim 6, wherein the second key provided is monotonically increasing.
- 10. The computer recording medium as recited in claim 6, wherein each object has at least one of a defined key and a second key.